

DDMA's Birtwhistle Receives DLA Superior Civilian Service Award

Supply Systems Analyst Dennis Birtwhistle of Defense Distribution Mapping



Activity (DDMA) received the DLA Superior Civilian Service Award for leading a team of three software programmers who developed a new software program that greatly enhanced DDMA's customer support capabilities.

DDMA operates nine retail Map Support Offices (MSOs) around the world that fill customers' orders for maps and other navigational products. The MSOs had been using an outdated computer system that had been in place before DLA assumed the mission in 1999. The new system developed by Birtwhistle and his team, the Map Support Office Distribution System (MSODS), improved DDMA's ability to enhance visibility of transactions, allows customers to route requisitions to a specific MSO, and reduces customer wait time.

"Dennis has been the driving force and visionary in bringing standard logistic processes and enhancements to DDMA's retail MSOs," complimented CDR John Pearson, SC, USN, DDMA Commander.

DDSP's Miller Awarded Defense Meritorious Service Medal

LCDR Jacob W. Miller, SC, USN, was awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal authorized by the Secretary of Defense in May. Miller distinguished himself by

exceptionally meritorious achievement as Senior Material Distribution Specialist, Defense Logistics Agency Contingency Support Team, Kuwait, in support of Coalition Forces Land Component Command, and Third United States Army Central Command during Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Miller is currently assigned as the Plans, Programs, and Analysis Officer with the Defense Distribution Depot Susquehanna, PA (DDSP).



DDSP Commander CAPT Naber (right) presents the Defense Meritorious Service Medal to LCDR Miller.

DDSP's LCDR Beaty Awarded Joint Service Commendation Medal

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Lieutenant Commander Elizabeth A. Beaty, SC, USN, was awarded the Joint Service Commendation Medal authorized by the Secretary of Defense on April 13, 2005. Defense Distribution Depot Susquehanna, PA (DDSP) Commander Captain James Naber, SC, USN, presented the medal to LCDR Beaty in a ceremony on May 31, 2005.

LCDR Beaty distinguished herself by exceptionally meritorious service as Strategic Planning Officer, Operations Administrative

Officer and Executive Officer for DDSP from May 2002 to May 2005. While assigned to DDSP, LCDR Beaty displayed considerable management and leadership skills in a multitude of assignments. She played a large role in the strategic realignment of the depot, greatly increasing DDSP's flexibility and ability to react to increases in work volume.

"LCDR Beaty is an outstanding officer and I was proud to serve with her," said CAPT Naber. During LCDR Beaty's tenure, she assisted as DDSP provided unprecedented support to the services during Operations Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom. One of her primary responsibilities was to develop and lead a training program, which she excelled at, producing 525 fully trained and productive new employees. As the Executive Officer, she helped provide overall guidance to the command and ensured the smooth handling of all military affairs.

LCDR Beaty is departing DDSP and her next assignment is to the Center for Service Support in Athens, Georgia.



DDSI's McCormack Receives Joint Service Commendation Medal

LT Michael C. McCormack, SC, USN, was presented with the Joint Service Commendation Medal in a recent ceremony at Defense Distribution Depot Sigonella, Italy (DDSI). The ceremony was officiated by



CAPT (Sel) Camuso (left) presents the award to LT McCormack.

CAPT (Sel) John Camuso, SC, USN, DDSI Commander.

LT McCormack, who served as DDSI's Operations Manager from April 2004 to March 2005, expertly managed distribution operations for inventory line items valued at more than \$54 million to further implement the Defense Distribution Center's global forward stock positioning strategy.

A key player in the recent establishment of the Southern Europe Regional Distribution Center, LT McCormack led a myriad process improvements to further enhance in-transit visibility, increase cargo velocity, implement more efficient distribution lanes, and reduce redundancies in the physical movement and associated information flow of cargo in theater.

DDSP's Maldonado Awarded Meritorious Service Medal

The President of the United States awarded MSgt Jose A. Maldonado, Jr., USMC the Meritorious Service Medal authorized by the Commanding General of the I Marine Expeditionary Force on March 11,